

2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: President's Advisory Council on Doing Business in Africa

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1. Department or Agency

Department of Commerce

2. Fiscal Year

2018

3. Committee or Subcommittee

President's Advisory Council on Doing Business in Africa

3b. GSA Committee No.

2515

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

5. Current Charter

09/30/2017

6. Expected Renewal Date

09/30/2019

7. Expected Term Date

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

No

8b. Specific Termination Authority

8c. Actual Term Date

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

No

10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority

Presidential

12. Specific Establishment Authority

E.O. 13811

13. Effective Date

09/29/2017

14. Committee Type

Continuing

14c. Presidential?

Yes

15. Description of Committee

National Policy Issue Advisory Board

16a. Total Number of Reports

3

16b. Report

Date

Report Title

11/29/2017 PAC-DBIA Issues Report-Nov 2017

04/18/2018 PAC-DBIA Recommendations Report-April 2018

09/26/2018 PAC-DBIA Fact-Finding Trip and Report and Recommendations-Sep 2018

Number of Committee Reports Listed: 3

17a. Open 3 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 3

Meetings and Dates

Purpose

To deliberate and adopt Issues Report.

To deliberate and adopt Recommendations Report.

To deliberate and adopt Fact-Finding Trip Report and Recommendations.

Start

11/29/2017

04/18/2018

09/26/2018

End

- 11/29/2017

- 04/18/2018

- 09/26/2018

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 3

Current FY

Next FY

18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members

\$0.00

\$0.00

18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members

\$0.00

\$0.00

18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff

\$150,303.00 \$268,932.00

18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$10,000.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$5,000.00	\$7,500.00
18d. Total	\$165,303.00	\$276,432.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	1.50	1.30

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The Advisory Council provides information, analysis, and recommendations to the President that address the following, in addition to other topics deemed relevant by the President, the Secretary of Commerce, or the Advisory Council: (i) creating jobs in the United States and Africa through trade and investment; (ii) developing strategies by which the U.S. private sector can identify and take advantage of trade and investment opportunities in Africa; (iii) building lasting commercial partnerships between the U.S. and African private sectors; (iv) facilitating U.S. business participation in Africa's infrastructure development; (v) contributing to the growth and improvement of Africa's agricultural sector by encouraging partnerships between U.S. and African companies to bring innovative agricultural technologies to Africa; (vi) making available to the U.S. private sector an accurate understanding of the opportunities presented for increasing trade with and investment in Africa; (vii) developing and strengthening partnerships and other mechanisms to increase U.S. public and private sector financing of trade with and investment in Africa; (viii) analyzing the effect of policies in the United States and Africa on U.S. trade and investment interests in Africa; (ix) identifying other means to expand commercial ties between the United States and Africa; and (x) building the capacity of Africa's young entrepreneurs to develop trade and investment ties with U.S. partners.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The Secretary of Commerce appoints private-sector corporate members in consultation with the Trade Promotion Coordinating Committee. All members represent U.S. companies and their sectors. The ITA Office of Advisory Committees and Industry Outreach has prepared a Membership Balance Plan for the Advisory Council for consideration by the Secretary in making appointments. Considerations when making appointments will include points of view; geographic diversity; diversity in size of company to be represented; demographics; and industry sector, including representation of infrastructure, agriculture, consumer goods, banking, services, and other industries. The Advisory Council shall be broadly representative of the key industries with business interests in the work of the Advisory Council. Appointments to the Advisory Council shall

be made without regard to political affiliation.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The Advisory Council shall meet approximately twice a year.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

The Advisory Council is needed to advise the President on strengthening commercial engagement between the United States and Africa, with a focus on advancing the President's Doing Business in Africa Campaign as described in the U.S. Strategy Toward Sub-Saharan Africa of June 14, 2012.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

Not Applicable

21. Remarks

Not Applicable

Designated Federal Officer

Giancarlo Cavallo DFO

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Adeosun, Walé	11/05/2014	03/14/2018	Founder and Chief Investment Officer, Kuramo Capital Management	Representative Member
Alemayehon, Mimi	09/07/2016	11/05/2018	Executive Advisor & Chair, Blackstone Africa Infrastructure, LP	Representative Member
Andringa, Jason	05/23/2018	11/05/2018	President and CEO	Representative Member
Arnold, Craig	04/26/2018	11/05/2018	President	Representative Member
Brown, Kimberly	09/07/2016	11/05/2018	Chief Executive Officer, Anethyst Technologies	Representative Member
El-Tohamy, Takreem	09/07/2016	11/05/2018	General Manager, Middle East and Africa IBM	Representative Member
Grauer, Peter	11/05/2014	02/08/2018	Chairman, Bloomberg L.P.	Representative Member
Inglis, Andrew	06/08/2018	11/05/2018	Chairman and CEO	Representative Member
Ireland, Jay	11/04/2014	11/05/2018	President, GE Africa	Representative Member
Johnson, Denise	09/07/2016	11/05/2018	Group President	Representative Member
Kacere, Kevin	05/23/2018	11/05/2018	President and CEO	Representative Member
Kavia, Kusum	09/07/2016	11/05/2018	President, Combustion Associates Inc	Representative Member
Keating, Barbara	09/07/2016	11/05/2018	President	Representative Member

Killeen, Bill	09/07/2016	11/05/2018	President and Chief Executive Officer	Representative Member
Lane, Laura	09/07/2016	11/05/2018	President, Global Public Affairs	Representative Member
Leslie, Jack	09/07/2016	09/08/2018	Chairman	Representative Member
Mathias, Edward	09/07/2014	11/05/2018	Managing Director, Carlyle Group	Representative Member
Patterson, Andrew	09/06/2016	11/05/2018	President for Africa, Bechtel	Representative Member
Richenhagen, Martin	11/05/2014	03/13/2018	Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer, AGCO Corporation	Representative Member
Sisson, Fred	09/07/2016	11/05/2018	Chief Executive Officer, Synnove Energy	Representative Member
Sullivan, Peter	05/18/2018	11/05/2018	Managing Director	Representative Member
Torre, Andrew	09/07/2016	11/05/2018	President of Visa Sub-Saharan Africa	Representative Member
Wetta, Bob	04/26/2018	11/05/2018	President and CEO	Representative Member
Wilson, Dow	11/05/2014	11/05/2018	President and Chief Executive Officer, Varian Medical Systems	Representative Member
Wright, Rahama	11/05/2014	11/05/2018	Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Shea Yeleen Health and Beauty	Representative Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 25

Narrative Description

The President's Advisory Council on Doing Business in Africa held two meetings in FY 2017. On February 28, the Council met to adopt its introductory letter to the President in which it outlined top priorities of U.S. business in Africa. And on August 22, the Council met to receive formal tasking from the Secretary of Commerce, on behalf of the President, on analysis and recommendations requested that will help enable U.S. companies to overcome obstacles to approaching, competing, and operating in African markets.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Outcome Comments

Not Applicable

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Cost Savings Comments

Not Applicable

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

53

Number of Recommendations Comments

Two recommendation reports were produced by the Council in FY18, the second charter term, which amounted to a total of 32 recommendations.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

6%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

Not Applicable

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

34%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

Not Applicable

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

During development of recommendations, the Council consults the Doing Business in Africa inter-agency for feedback, and upon adoption of recommendations, inter-agency representatives provide in-person updates on ongoing initiatives and planned actions to implement the recommendations.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

Not Applicable

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

Not Applicable

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Access Comments

Not Applicable